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L32 ANSWER 10 OF 263 CA COPYRIGHT 2003 ACS on STN

AN 136:396970 CA

TI Recombinant streptavidin-metallothionein chimeric protein having biological
recognition specificity

IN Sano, Takeshi; Glazer, Alexander N.; Cantor, Charles R.

PA The Regents of the University of California, USA
SO U.S., 18 pp.
PI US 6391590 B1 20020521 US 1991-780717 19911021
PRAI US 1991-780717 19911021
AB Streptavidin-metallothionein chimeric proteins with biol. recognition specificity in which the streptavidin moiety provides high affinity biotin binding and the metallothionein moiety provides a high affinity **metal binding**. The binding affinity of the streptavidin-metallothionein chimeric protein both for biotin and heavy metal ions allows specific incorporation into, conjugation with, or labeling of any biol. material contg. biotin with various heavy metal ions. Streptavidin-metallothionein chimeric protein can be used in imaging of tumor for radiotherapeutics and det. DNA sequences. ¹⁰⁹Cd can be used to label streptavidin-metallothionein chimeric protein and then the chimeric protein contg. ¹⁰⁹Cd is targeted to biotinylated macromols.

L32 ANSWER 19 OF 263 CA COPYRIGHT 2003 ACS on STN
AN 133:173051 CA
TI Protein and cDNA sequences of lead-binding monoclonal antibody light chain regions and the uses thereof
IN Wylie, Dwane E.; Lopez, Osvaldo; Murray, Peter Joseph; Goebel, Peter
PA Bionebraska Inc., USA
SO U.S., 56 pp., Cont.-in-part of U.S. Ser. No. 541,373, abandoned.
PI US 6111079 A 20000829 US 1996-767128 19961204
PRAI US 1995-462798 B2 19950605
AB The present invention provides protein and cDNA sequences of a **metal binding** protein which selectively binds with a heavy metal, such as lead cation. The **metal binding** proteins which include an amino acid sequence coding for a light chain variable region of a monoclonal antibody capable of immunoreacting with a lead cation and nucleotides which include a nucleic acid sequence coding for the variable region are provided. The invention is also directed to **fusion proteins** and Fab fragments which include the light chain variable region. The invention also relates to methods for detecting, removing, adding, or neutralizing the heavy metals in biol. and inanimate systems through the use of the **metal binding** protein, heavy and light chains, **fusion proteins**, recombinantly produced Fab fragment and monoclonal antibodies described above.

L32 ANSWER 27 OF 263 BIOSIS COPYRIGHT 2003 BIOLOGICAL ABSTRACTS INC. on STN
AN 2000:277591 BIOSIS
TI Mercury binding polypeptides and nucleotides coding therefore.
AU Lopez, Osvaldo [Inventor, Reprint author]; Wylie, Dwane E. [Inventor]; Wagner, Fred W. [Inventor]
CS Walton, NE, USA ASSIGNEE: BioNebraska, Inc., Lincoln, NE, USA
PI US 5972656 October 26, 1999
SO Official Gazette of the United States Patent and Trademark Office Patents, (Oct. 26, 1999) Vol. 1227, No. 4. e-file.
AB **Metal binding** polypeptides which include an amino acid sequence coding for a variable region of a monoclonal antibody which immunoreacts with a mercury cation and nucleotides which include a nucleic acid sequence coding for the variable region are provided. The invention is also directed to **fusion proteins** which include a phage coat protein or portion thereof and the monoclonal antibody heavy chain variable region. The invention also provides bacteriophages which include the **fusion protein** in their coat. In addition, methods for detecting, removing, adding, or neutralizing mercuric cations in biological or inanimate systems through the use of the mercury binding polypeptides are provided.

L32 ANSWER 47 OF 263 CA COPYRIGHT 2003 ACS on STN

AN 130:356743 CA

TI Whole cell- and protein-based biosensors for the detection of bioavailable heavy metals in environmental samples

AU Corbisier, Philippe; van der Lelie, Daniel; Borremans, Brigitte; Provoost, Ann; de Lorenzo, Victor; Brown, Nigel L.; Lloyd, Jonathan R.; Hobman, Jonathan L.; Csoregi, Elisabeth; Johansson, Gillis; Mattiasson, Bo

CS Vlaamse Instelling voor Technologisch Onderzoek (VITO), Boeretang 200, Mol, B-2400, Belg.

SO Analytica Chimica Acta (1999), 387(3), 235-244

AB The goal was to establish the feasibility of 2 biosensor technologies with enhanced specificity and selectivity for the detection of several bioavailable heavy metals in environmental samples. Two parallel strategies were followed. The 1st approach was to construct whole cell bacterial biosensors that emit a bioluminescent or fluorescent signal in the presence of a biol. available heavy metal. The mol. basis of σ -54 promoters as sensing elements of environmental pollutants was detd. and a no. of metal-induced promoter regions were identified, sequenced and cloned as promoter cassettes. The specificity of the promoter cassettes was detd. using luxCDABE reporter systems. Whole cell-biosensors contg. metal-induced lux reporter systems were incorporated into different matrixes for their later immobilization on optic fibers and characterized in terms of their sensitivity and storage capacity. The 2nd type of sensors was based on the direct interaction between metal-binding proteins and heavy metal ions. In this case, the capacitance changes of the proteins, such as synechococcal metallothionein (as a GST-SmtA fusion protein) and the Hg regulatory protein, MerR, were detected in the presence of femtomolar to millimolar metal ion concns.

L32 ANSWER 67 OF 263 CA COPYRIGHT 2003 ACS on STN

AN 129:286801 CA

TI Detection of Heavy Metal Ions at Femtomolar Levels Using Protein-Based Biosensors

AU Bontidean, Ibolya; Berggren, Christine; Johansson, Gillis; Csoeregi, Elisabeth; Mattiasson, Bo; Lloyd, Jonathan R.; Jakeman, Kenneth J.; Brown, Nigel L.

CS Department of Biotechnology, Lund University, Lund, S-221 00, Swed.

SO Analytical Chemistry (1998), 70(19), 4162-4169

AB Sensors based on proteins (GST-SmtA and MerR) with distinct binding sites for heavy metal ions were developed and characterized. A capacitive signal transducer was used to measure the conformational change following binding. The proteins were overexpressed in Escherichia coli, purified, and immobilized in different ways to a self-assembled thiol layer on a gold electrode placed as the working electrode in a potentiostatic arrangement in a flow anal. system. The selectivity and the sensitivity of the 2 protein-based biosensors were measured and compared for copper, cadmium, mercury, and zinc ions. The GST-SmtA electrodes displayed a broader selectivity (sensing all 4 heavy metal ions) compared with the MerR-based ones, which showed an accentuated selectivity for mercury ions. Metal ions could be detected with both electrode types down to femtomolar concn. The upper measuring limits, presumably due to near satn. of the proteins' binding sites, were around 10-10M. Control electrodes similarly constructed but based on bovine serum albumin or urease did not yield any signals. The electrodes could be regenerated with EDTA and used for >2 wk with ~40% redn. in sensitivity.

L32 ANSWER 114 OF 263 CA COPYRIGHT 2003 ACS on STN

AN 127:202246 CA

TI Reactions of complex metalloproteins studied by **protein-film voltammetry**
AU Armstrong, Fraser A.; Heering, Hendrik A.; Hirst, Judy
CS Inorganic Chemistry Laboratory, Oxford University, Oxford, OX1 3QR, UK
SO Chemical Society Reviews (1997), 26(3), 169-179
AB A review with many refs. The following review explores applications of
voltammetric methods for observing reactions of complex metalloproteins.
Attention is focused upon the technique of "**protein-film voltammetry**", in
which the **protein** mols. under investigation are adsorbed on the **electrode**
surface and electrochem. "interrogated.". The expts. address a minuscule
sample with high sensitivity, and optimal control over both potential and
time dependence of reactions. Factors governing the voltammetric response
are outlined, and particular emphasis is given to the ability to study
reactions that are coupled to and may "gate" the primary electron exchange
processes. Examples described include proton-transfer and **metal-binding**
reactions of iron-sulfur clusters, coupling of electron transfer in
peroxidases, quantifying electron-transport pathways in multi-centered
enzymes, and detection of "switches" that modulate the catalysis as a
function of potential.

L32 ANSWER 148 OF 263 CA COPYRIGHT 2003 ACS on STN

AN 123:280296 CA

TI Preparation and expression cloning of mercury-binding monoclonal antibody
sequences and their use for immunoassays

IN Lopez, Osvaldo; Wylie, Dwane E.; Wagner, Fred W.

PA Bionebraska, Inc., USA

SO PCT Int. Appl., 107 pp.

PI WO 9520607 A1 19950803 WO 1995-US1199 19950127

EP 741749 A1 19961113 EP 1995-908736 19950127

US 5972656 A 19991026 US 1997-888366 19970703

PRAI US 1994-187407 A 19940127

AB **Metal-binding** polypeptides and nucleic acids are provided which include an
amino acid sequence coding for a variable region of a monoclonal antibody
which immunoreacts with a mercury cation and a nucleotide sequence coding
for the variable region. **Fusion proteins** and bacteriophages can include a
phage coat protein or portion thereof and the monoclonal antibody heavy
chain variable region. In addn., methods are described for detecting,
removing, adding, or neutralizing Hg²⁺ in biol. or inanimate systems through
the use of the mercury-binding polypeptides. Thus, hybridomas antibodies
were produced with the spleen cells of BALB/c mouse that had received
multiple injections of Hg²⁺ reacted with glutathione covalently bound to
keyhole limpet hemocyanin. Seven hybridoma antibodies immunoreactive with
glutathione-Hg²⁺ and specific for Hg²⁺ were cloned, PCR amplified, and the
Fd and κ regions sequenced. ELISA assay utilizing BSA-glutathione added to
polyvinyl chloride microtiter plates enabled detection of Hg²⁺ in a concn.
as low as 10⁻⁹ M (0.2 ppb) with antibody IF10. Phagmid vectors are
constructed to fuse the antibody Fd chain with the C-terminal domain of the
coat protein cpIII of phage M13.

L32 ANSWER 172 OF 263 CA COPYRIGHT 2003 ACS on STN

AN 121:273845 CA

TI Heterofunctional proteins and their use as affinity reagents

IN Kay, Brian K.; Fowlkes, Dana M.

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SO PCT Int. Appl., 256 pp.

PI WO 9418318 A1 19940818 WO 1994-US977 19940201

US 5498538 A 19960312 US 1993-176500 19931230

US 5747334 A 19980505 US 1994-189331 19940131

PRAI US 1993-13416 A 19930201

AB A novel method for the prepn. of improved heterofunctional binding fusion proteins termed Totally Synthetic Affinity Reagents (TSARs) is described. These proteins are useful in diagnostics and therapeutics (no data). TSARs are concatenated heterofunctional proteins with at least two functional regions: a binding domain with affinity for a ligand and a second effector peptide portion that is chem. or biol. active and preferably connected via an optionally labile linker peptide. A library of chimeric genes encoding the biol. active peptide at one end of the gene with the other end made up of random oligonucleotides is screened by activity for constructs that bind the desired ligand. The construction and characterization of a no. of libraries in M13 using the pIII gene to ensure presentation of the random oligonucleotide-encoded domains and the screening of two of these libraries for ligands for a monoclonal antibody to a prostate carcinoma-specific antigen (mAb 7E11-C5) are demonstrated.

L32 ANSWER 199 OF 263 MEDLINE on STN

AN 93188698 MEDLINE

TI Isolation of a prokaryotic metallothionein locus and analysis of transcriptional control by trace metal ions.

AU Huckle J W; Morby A P; Turner J S; Robinson N J

CS Department of Biological Sciences, University of Durham, UK.

SO MOLECULAR MICROBIOLOGY, (1993 Jan) 7 (2) 177-87.

AB In eukaryotes, metallothioneins (MTs) are involved in cellular responses to elevated concentrations of certain metal ions. We report the isolation and analysis of a prokaryotic MT locus from *Synechococcus* PCC 7942. The MT locus (*smt*) includes *smtA*, which encodes a class II MT, and a divergently transcribed gene, *smtB*. The sites of transcription initiation of both genes have been mapped and features within the *smt* operator-promoter region identified. Elevated concentrations of the ionic species of Cd, Co, Cr, Cu, Hg, Ni, Pb and Zn elicited an increase in the abundance of *smtA* transcripts. There was no detectable effect of elevated metal (Cd) on *smtA* transcript stability. Sequences upstream of *smtA*, fused to a promoterless lacZ gene, conferred metal-dependent beta-galactosidase activity in *Synechococcus* PCC 7942 (strain R2-PIM8). At maximum permissive concentrations, Zn was the most potent elicitor in vivo, followed by Cu and Cd with slight induction by Co and Ni. The deduced *SmtB* polypeptide has similarity to the ArsR and CadC proteins involved in resistance to arsenate/arsenite/antimonite and to Cd, contains a predicted helix-turn-helix DNA-binding motif and is shown to be a repressor of transcription from the *smtA* operator-promoter.

L32 ANSWER 212 OF 263 CA COPYRIGHT 2003 ACS on STN

AN 117:65075 CA

TI Cyanobacterial metallothionein gene expressed in *Escherichia coli*. Metal-binding properties of the expressed protein

AU Shi, Jianguo; Lindsay, William P.; Huckle, James W.; Morby, Andrew P.; Robinson, Nigel J.

CS Dep. Biol. Sci., Univ. Durham, Durham, DH1 3LE, UK

SO FEBS Letters (1992), 303(2-3), 159-63

AB The recently isolated *Synechococcus* gene *smtA* encodes the only characterized prokaryotic protein designated to be a metallothionein (MT). To examine the metal-binding properties of its product the *smtA* gene was expressed in *Escherichia coli* as a C-terminal extension of glutathione-S-transferase. The pH of half disson. of Zn, Cd, and Cu ions from the expressed protein was detd. to be 4.10, 3.50, 2.35, resp., indicating a high affinity for these ions (in particular for Zn in comparison to mammalian MT). *E. coli* expressing this gene showed enhanced (ca. 3-fold) accumulation of Zn.

L32 ANSWER 216 OF 263 CA COPYRIGHT 2003 ACS on STN

AN 116:52982 CA
 TI **Metal-binding** peptides for purification of heterologous proteins by affinity chromatography
 IN Sharma, Satish K.
 PA Upjohn Co., USA
 SO PCT Int. Appl., 39 pp.
 PI WO 9115589 A1 19911017 WO 1991-US1543 19910311
 US 5594115 A 19970114 US 1994-365994 19941229
 PRAI US 1990-506605 A2 19900409
 AB A method for purifying an heterologous protein manufd. in a recombinant host by immobilized metal affinity chromatog. (IMAC) is described. The method involves addn. of a sequence encoding a peptide contg. a no. of histidines in the general form (His-X)_n where X is any of several amino acids, and a suitable proteinase cleavage site at the peptide-heterologous protein junction. The protein is purified by IMAC and the peptide is cleaved, optionally as a method of elution of the protein, with the proteinase. Analogs of the reverse transcriptase of human immunodeficiency virus with such peptides as N-terminal addns. were manufd. by expression of synthetic genes in Escherichia coli. The presence of these peptides on the protein did not affect reverse transcriptase activity and the peptides were removed by cleavage with renin. Chromatog. of the proteins on immobilized Ni resulted in the reverse transcriptase being strongly bound needing 100 mM imidazole to elute it after washing free of bacterial proteins.

L32 ANSWER 217 OF 263 CA COPYRIGHT 2003 ACS on STN
 AN 115:200369 CA
 TI Method for producing heterofunctional **fusion protein** with specificity for ligand of choice
 IN Fowlkes, Dana M.; Kay, Brian K.
 PA USA
 SO PCT Int. Appl., 79 pp.
 PI WO 9112328 A1 19910822 WO 1991-US1013 19910214
 US 5935823 A 19990810 US 1995-420945 19950411
 PRAI US 1990-480420 A 19900215
 AB A method for prepg. a heterofunctional **fusion protein** with desired ligand specificity comprises (1) inserting downstream from an ATG condon of a vector a 1st sequence encoding a family of binding domains designed to have a desired specificity, and a 2nd sequence encoding a biol. or chem. active effector domain; (2) transforming appropriate host cells with the vectors and culturing the transformants to produce the **fusion proteins**; and (3) screening the **fusion proteins** for those having the desired binding specificity and the biol. or chem. activity. The 1st nucleotide sequence is obtained by mutagenesis. Using this technique, a plasmid encoding a modified sequence from the variable domain of a monoclonal antibody to lysozyme fused, via a cleavable linker, to β -galactosidase was prepd. and the chimeric gene was expressed in Escherichia coli. The **fusion protein** was purified by p-aminophenyl-1-thio- β -D-galactopyranoside-Sepharose affinity chromatog. and the fractions with β -galactosidase activity were pooled. The purified **fusion protein** had appropriate binding specificity.

L32 ANSWER 228 OF 263 CA COPYRIGHT 2003 ACS on STN
 AN 116:101318 CA
 TI Expression of the pea gene PsMTA in E. coli. **Metal-binding** properties of the expressed protein
 AU Tommey, Andrew M.; Shi, Jianguo; Lindsay, William P.; Urwin, P. E.; Robinson, Nigel J.
 CS Dep. Biol. Sci., Univ. Durham, Durham, DH1 3LE, UK
 SO FEBS Letters (1991), 292(1-2), 48-52

AB The pea (*Pisum sativum* L.) gene PsMTA has an ORF encoding a predicted protein with sequence similarity to class I metallothioneins (MTs). To **examine** the **metal-binding** properties of the PsMTA protein, it has been expressed in *E. coli* as a carboxyterminal extension of glutathione-S-transferase (GST). **Metal** ions were assocd. with the expressed protein when purified from lysates of *E. coli* grown in **metal** supplemented media. The pH of half-dissocn. of **Zn**, **Cd**, and **Cu** ions from the recombinant **fusion protein** was detd. to be 5.35, 3.95 and 1.45 resp., compared with equiv. ests. of 4.50, 3.00 and 1.80 for equine renal MT.

L32 ANSWER 229 OF 263 CA COPYRIGHT 2003 ACS on STN

AN 114:144002 CA

TI Proton, calcium, and magnesium binding by **peptides** containing γ -carboxyglutamic acid

AU Cabaniss, Steven E.; Pugh, Kathleen C.; Pedersen, Lee G.; Hiskey, Richard G.
CS Dep. Chem., Univ. North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC, 27599-3290, USA

SO International Journal of Peptide & Protein Research (1991), 37(1), 33-8

AB γ -Carboxyglutamic acid (Gla) is believed to bind Ca(II) ions and Mg(II) ions in prothrombin and other coagulation **proteins**. Binding const. for H⁺, Ca(II) ions, and Mg(II) ions to Gla-contg. **peptides** are detd. using pH and ion selective **electrode** titrns. The binding const. for **peptides** contg. a single Gla residue are similar to the const. for malonic acid. **Peptides** contg. two Gla residues in sequence (di-Gla **peptides**) bind Ca(II) ions and Mg(II) ions more strongly. KMgL for the di-Gla **peptides** is similar to the site-binding const. for Ca(II) ions in denatured BF1. These di-Gla **peptides** may be useful analogs for **metal binding** by the disordered Gla domain in BF1.

L32 ANSWER 232 OF 263 CA COPYRIGHT 2003 ACS on STN

AN 112:212122 CA

TI DNA distortion accompanies transcriptional activation by the metal-responsive gene-regulatory protein MerR

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SO **Biochemistry** (1990), 29(20), 4747-51

AB Transcriptional regulation of the bacterial Hg⁺ resistance operon (*mer*) in response to nanomolar concns. of Hg⁺ is achieved by the allosterically modulated transcriptional activator protein MerR. Hg⁺ modification of MerR activates transcription, facilitating the conversion of a RNA polymerase complex with the *mer* promoter from the closed conformation to the strand-sepd., transcriptionally competent open complex. An Hg-Mer-R-induced structural alteration at the center of the promoter was detected in the presence or absence of RNA polymerase by use of chem. nucleases sensitive to variations in DNA secondary structure. This hypersensitivity correlates directly with transcriptional activation, lending further support to a previous proposal that a protein-induced distortion in local DNA structure can be the key step in an allosterically modulated transcription activation mechanism.

L32 ANSWER 250 OF 263 CA COPYRIGHT 2003 ACS on STN

AN 104:47811 CA

TI Studies on the binding of copper to dopamine β -monooxygenase and other **proteins** using the copper(2+) ion-selective **electrode**

AU Syvertsen, Christian; Gaustad, Rolf; Schroeder, Knut; Ljones, Torbjorn

CS Dep. Chem., Univ. Trondheim, Trondheim, N-7055, Norway

SO Journal of Inorganic Biochemistry (1986), 26(1), 63-76

AB The binding of Cu²⁺ to native and Cu-free dopamine β -monooxygenase was investigated by potentiometric titrns. with a Cu²⁺-selective **electrode**. Stoichiometric formation const. were detd. from regression anal. of the

resulting titrn. curves. A stoichiometry of 4 high-affinity binding sites for Cu^{2+} (log K_f ~ 11) per enzyme tetramer, with more binding sites of lower affinity (log K_f $\sim 5-7$) was established. The data for binding of the 1st 4 Cu^{2+} to the enzyme tetramer indicate interactions in the binding. Bovine serum albumin, metal-free carbonic anhydrase, and ovotransferrin were also titrated with Cu^{2+} , and the formation consts. of both high-affinity binding sites and other sites were detd. The stoichiometries of the 1 high-affinity binding site of Cu^{2+} for carbonic anhydrase (log K_f $\sim 10-12$) and 2 sites for ovotransferrin (log K_f ~ 11) agree with the reported **metal-binding** properties of these **proteins**. The no. of high-affinity binding sites for bovine serum albumin was pH dependent.

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AN 105:37665 CA

TI The blue copper binding site: from the rack or tailor-made?

AU McMillin, David R.; Engeseth, Helen R.

CS Dep. Chem., Purdue Univ., West Lafayette, IN, 47907, USA

SO Biol. Inorg. Copper Chem., Proc. Conf. Copper Coord. Chem., 2nd (1986), Meeting Date 1984, Volume 1, 1-10. Editor(s): Karlin, Kenneth D.; Zubieta, Jon. Publisher: Adenine Press, Guilderland, N. Y.

AB A commonly held view is that the **protein** conformation dictates a strained geometry for Cu(II) in blue **Cu proteins** so as to foster high **electrode** potentials and facile electron transfer. Taking a somewhat different point of view, it is suggested here that the structure of the blue **Cu** site ought to be well adapted for binding **Cu** in order to promote the specific uptake of **Cu**. If this is true, the binding site of stellacyanin (I) should be similar to those of azurin (II) and plastocyanin (III), since the small blue **proteins** probably evolved from a common ancestor. Recent results were consistent with this expectation. The disulfide linkage of I was reassigned, and cysteine-87, which is homologous with the cysteine ligands of II and III, was available to bind **Cu**. ^{113}Cd NMR studies confirmed the fact that the **metal-binding** sites of I and II were very similar, but they did not allow the identification of the 4th ligand of I unequivocally. There was, however, considerable indirect evidence implicating a disulfide donor which is, in the electronic sense, analogous to methionine S. Studies of the denaturation of native II, apo-II, and metal-substituted derivs. of II indicated that, compared with most other metal ions, Cu(II) binds quite strongly to the **protein**. The ligand field stabilization energy appeared to be an important factor in detg. the affinity for 1st row transition metal ions, and the deviation from tetrahedral symmetry appeared to bias the site toward **Cu** binding.

L32 ANSWER 260 OF 263 CA COPYRIGHT 2003 ACS on STN

AN 93:91423 CA

TI An **apoenzyme electrode**

AU Mattiasson, Bo; Nilsson, Hans; Olsson, Bengt

CS Chem. Cent., Univ. Lund, Lund, S-220 07, Swed.

SO Journal of Applied Biochemistry (1979), 1(5-6), 377-84

AB The use of immobilized **apoenzyme** for quantitation of the cofactor needed for enzymic activity is described. The sensitive part of an **O electrode** was covered by a nylon net onto which the **apoenzyme** was immobilized. In an alternative procedure a precolumn with immobilized **apoenzyme** was used. After exposure of the **apoenzyme electrode** to a cofactor-contg. sample, washing was carried out prior to administration of substrate. The **electrode** response obtained was proportional to the amt. of **apoenzyme** activated by the cofactor, resulting in a response proportional to the concn. of cofactor in the sample. In the system discussed here, Cu^{2+} was measured by the tyrosinase **apoenzyme**. By using this procedure, Cu^{2+} could be measured in

concns. below the micromolar level (50 ppb).

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